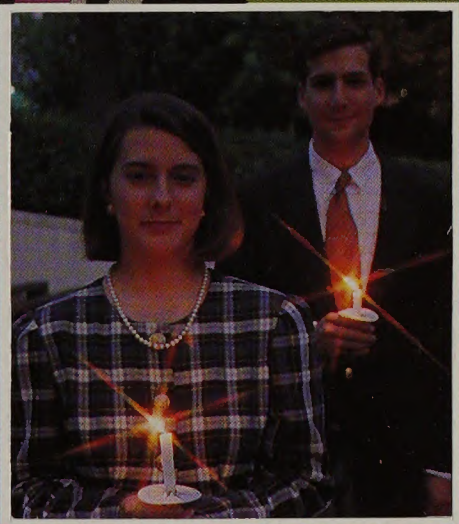


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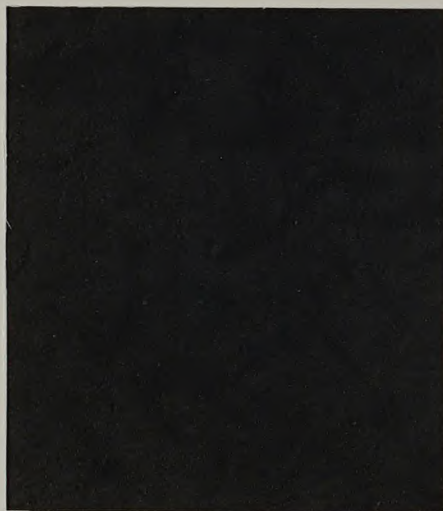
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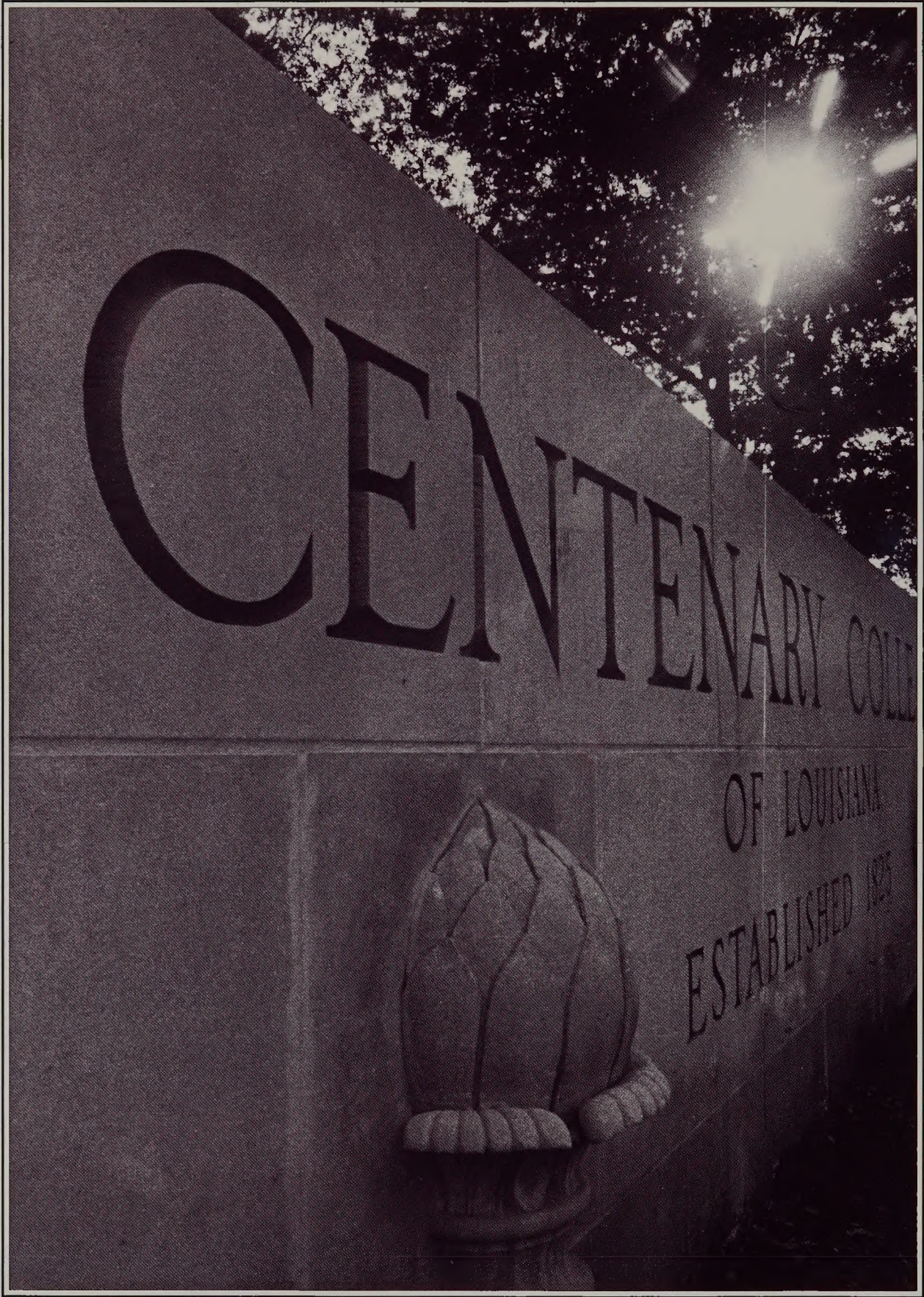
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STUDENTS ARE OUR FOCUS

In the year 2000, Centenary College will celebrate its 175th anniversary as one of the premier student-centered liberal arts colleges in America with a reputation for attaining extraordinary levels of achievements from our students. A dream? Yes, but one that has been transcribed into an achievable plan with measurable goals and strategies. The Centenary 2000 Plan illuminates the future of the college and brings lustre to its rich history.



Centenary's Credo

We aspire to be one of the best small colleges in the country. Our special mission will be to earn a national reputation for attaining extraordinary levels of academic performance from our students.

Our students will aim for and reach superior, measurable standards in both liberal studies and in professional programs. We will be noted for our vibrant and stimulating campus life where outstanding scholars, artists, and leaders interact with our students and faculty.

Our student population will be cosmopolitan. There will be a rich diversity of persons from different cultures, areas, and age groups.

Unlike most other colleges, we will be concerned with aspects beyond academic work. Culture, character, and career will be our sustaining cause.

Our college will be noted as a leader in higher education and for its willingness to try new ventures. It will be noted as a place where leaders are nurtured and produced.

Centenary College will be a regional center for the performing and visual arts.

While the primary focus of the campus will be an undergraduate education, Centenary College will offer a few distinctive graduate programs which meet the special needs of mature persons.

Centenary's physical plant and grounds will provide a visual statement as to the quality of learning which takes place here, as well as to the pride we have in the campus' beauty and integrity.

Centenary College of Louisiana will stand out as a small, residential church-related college which is rooted in the liberal arts and at the same time is progressive, pioneering and bold.

Our Motto: Labor Omnia Vincit

From the President

Dear Friends:

Exuberance. Optimism. Enthusiasm. Pride. Delight. I confess that these feelings constitute the range of my emotion after my first year here at Centenary.

Last year was one of new beginnings for us. The process of getting acquainted and reacquainted has been productive and positive for us all, and we stand ready to embark on a new era in the college's distinguished history. Freshman enrollment for 1992-1993 is up over 15 percent, our Annual Fund for Great Teachers and Scholars development drive exceeded its goal of \$1.1 million, and Centenary has become a perennial favorite on nationwide lists of "best buy" colleges.

We have a number of new faculty and staff. Dr. Robert Bareikis, our new Dean of the College, and Sam Hook, our new Vice-president for Development, bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to our already accomplished college family, and together we are prepared to usher forth Centenary's vision for the new century.

This year, we developed the Centenary 2000 Plan. This blueprint is the collective expression of the college's aspiration for the future, as distilled from the input of the entire college during the past year. We explored our potential — minds and hearts, buildings and grounds, ambitions and dreams — and forged a plan for the next century. The Centenary 2000 Plan will bring us with confidence and conviction to the threshold of the next century, ready to



DR. KENNETH L. SCHWAB, PRESIDENT

begin the college's next 175 years!

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CENTENARY 2000 PLAN

Academics at Centenary —

Our Reason for Being

Our faculty will work to enhance the quality of instruction and advising of students. Our college will continue to recognize and reward superior teaching and scholarship and to promote heightened levels of achievement, innovation and

professionalism in students and faculty alike.

Size and Composition of Student Body

Centenary College will be instructing 1000 highly qualified full-time undergraduates annually. These students will represent diverse ethnic, geographic and racial backgrounds.

A Distinctive Education

Every student at Centenary College will have at least one social service project

and at least one experience of living and working within a different culture, i.e. an Amish community, an Indian reservation, London, Paris or Moscow. Special emphasis will be placed on interdisciplinary learning.

Internationalization of the Campus

Centenary will increase focus in curriculum in other countries outside the United States, and faculty will be encouraged and supported in their foreign study projects. The diversity of students from other countries at Centenary will promote awareness and acceptance of varying languages, cultures and religious views.

A Sense of Community

The campus will be a laboratory for leadership development, catalyzed by a constant flow of artists, writers, scientists, musicians and statespeople. Centenary is a thoughtful and thought-filled community that fosters trust, commitment, esteem, high morale and high morals among its constituent members.

Research, Development and Learning

Centenary is a community of learners, and the college — students, faculty and staff alike — will be encouraged and supported in their intellectual and professional development.

Focus on Facilities

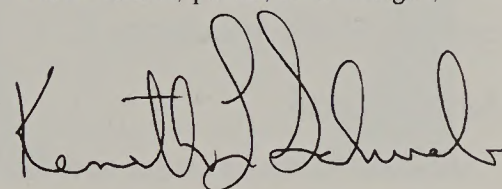
Major campus-wide renovations are slated, with a particular emphasis placed on state of the art computer and science technologies, and facilities that will be

equipped to meet the progressive rigors of higher education in the 21st Century.

Centenary's Credo underwent a slight but significant change during the formulation of the Centenary 2000 Plan. Whereas it once read "We aspire to be one of the best small college's in the South," it now reads "We aspire to be one of the best small colleges in the nation." This sentence, with its modest modification, reflects how our disposition has changed in the past year. Everything that is right about Centenary, everything that has coalesced to make us "one of the best small colleges in the South" will remain; however, our vision, our desire to fulfill an even greater possibility and to share that possibility with the rest of the country, has evolved.

Centenary 2000 promises to be a major undertaking for us all; but with dedication to the institution and commitment to one another, we can make the college the best that it has ever been — and ourselves the best that we have ever been!

With exuberance, optimism,
enthusiasm, pride, and delight,



Kenneth L. Schwab

President



FIRST FAMILY

Celebrating with President Kenneth Schwab at his Inauguration are his children, Carlton, Kempton, and Christopher, and his wife, Patricia. Most of their family gatherings are not so formal — they are more likely to be on the soccer field or basketball court.

Administrative Reports

Total Funds Given

A grand total of \$4,026,225 in gifts was received during 1991-1992. This includes \$1,048,604 added to the endowment and \$1,876,214 in operating funds of which \$1,102,407 were gifts to the Annual Fund for Great Teachers and Scholars.

Scholarship gifts for the year totaled \$1,220,950 and \$411,211 was given for new construction and renovations.

Annual Fund

Increases in donors and contributions made the 1991-92 Annual Fund for Great Teachers and Scholars the best ever.

Contributions to the 1991-92 Annual Fund totaled \$1,102,407 in unrestricted gifts, surpassing its goal of \$1.1 million.

"We are extremely pleased with the fund drive," said President Kenneth Schwab. "It is the largest amount raised in unrestricted funds, and it represents a genuine team effort of volunteers and staff. Most importantly, the gifts are from an increasingly broad base of donors, which gives us significant indication that our alumni and friends like what we are doing. Participation of alumni was at an all-time high; that's great news."

Cecil E. Ramey Jr. '43 served as Volunteer Chairman. Other members of the Leadership Committee were Edwin C. Harbuck '56, William G. Anderson '88, George D. Nelson Jr., Charles Ellis Brown '48, Mark McCrocklin '85, Wade McCutcheon '83, Charles B. Moore '49, Ed and Shirley Powell, Larry and Carolyn Hudson, Dr. Don Wilcox, and Don Updegraff. David Henington '82 is Director of the Annual Fund.

Contributions to the Annual Fund provide faculty salaries, institutional scholarships, library acquisitions, and operating

expenses. The \$1.1 million is added to student tuition and fees; endowment income, grants and other gifts, and auxiliary funds to comprise all revenues for the College.

A new record in alumni participation was set, thanks to a challenge grant established by Mrs. Virginia Shehee '43, Mrs. Caroline Crawford, Ed Crawford, Sam Peters '39, Bill Anderson '88, and George Nelson Sr. Their \$100,000 gift challenged alumni to give \$80,000 in "new" money and parents to give \$20,000 in "new" money. The challenge was successful with a record 29 percent of alumni participating with gifts totaling \$298,239. The parents' gifts totaled \$43,356.

A separate \$100,000 gift from Dr. Charles Beaird '66, Adjunct Professor, challenged the volunteers and staff to reach a total of \$1 million. His capstone gift enabled the Annual Fund to meet and exceed its overall goal.

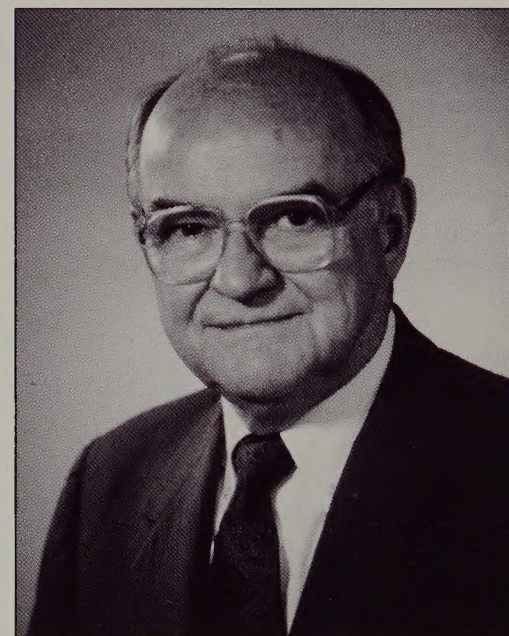
New Scholarships

Over 80 percent of the students at Centenary College received financial aid during the 1991-92 academic year, and much of that is awarded from scholarships permanently endowed by individuals, churches and businesses.

Eleven new scholarships were added to our list of 253 endowed scholarships and additions of \$10,000 or more were made to fourteen established funds.

Oratory Lectureship

The Hannah Seymour Graham Lectureship of Oratory is a gift of her daughter, Mrs. Hannah Seymour Lehde. The \$277,000 endowment will fund a new program in oratory including required courses for all students majoring in reli-



FLETCHER THORNE-THOMSEN
TRUSTEE

A Trustee's Pride in Centenary

"Everyone should have the experience of thinking and working outside of his or her daily environment. It has been that experience at Centenary via the long-range Planning Committee that has added a dimension to my thinking and hopefully a diverse approach to the long-term Centenary program."

"We started with each member dreaming about creating the best liberal arts College in the world: — one that would attract a waiting list of students. We want students to have a total educational experience, an international exposure, a cultural exchange, civic involvement, and acknowledgement of who they are. We view the professors' role to be a part of student life, student activities, and above all, the very best teaching experience."

"The result of the committee's efforts is Centenary's Plan for the Year 2000. It is exciting, achievable and expected to meet everyone's desire for excellence. The plan is energetic and fascinating. The Centenary 2000 Plan is an exciting adventure into the long-term reality of what Centenary will be to the students, the community, the professors and the administrators. The committee by doing has felt the impact."

gion. The course objective shall be the teaching of the art of public speaking, correct syntax, pronunciation, and enunciation which complements Centenary's expectation that its students achieve a high level of proficiency in writing and speaking.

Grants

Five grants for a grand total of \$259,410 were awarded to Centenary faculty for projects ranging from Costa Rican rodents to polarized protons. Award-winning faculty members include Dr. Scott Vetter and Dr. E. John Turner, \$147,628 from the Louisiana Systemic Initiatives Program; Dr. Brad McPherson, \$750 from the Louisiana Stimulus for Excellence in Research; Dr. Ernest Blakeney Jr., \$2,995 from the Pittsburgh Conference Memorial National College Grants Program; Dr. Juan Rodriguez, \$92,722 from the National Science Foundation, and Dr. Jerry Lisantti,

\$15,315 from the Research Corporation.

Ten grants totaling \$77,942 were awarded to the Meadows Museum of Art for the conservation of the Jean Despujols paintings and for an exhibit of Haitian art. Some \$85,885 was donated via in-kind gifts and services.

Special Achievements of Faculty and Students

\$193,000 Two-Year Grant — Professors Scott Vetter, geology, and John Turner, education, have teamed up to offer workshops on creative teaching for earth science teachers from a five-parish area. The \$193,000 two-year grant is funded by the State of Louisiana and the National Science Foundation.

Mellon Fellow — Richard Murphy, *summa cum laude* graduate in history and economics, has been awarded one of the 80 Mellon Fellowships in the Humanities. The prestigious award, the second awarded to a Centenary student in the past two years, covers tuition, fees, and a \$12,500 per year stipend. Richard will attend the Winterthur Program at the University of Delaware where he will work toward a masters degree in early American culture and a Ph.D. in American civilization.

LEH Humanist of the Year — Dr. Earle Labor, Wilson Professor of American Literature, was named Humanist of the Year by the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities. Known internationally as one of the world's foremost authorities on author Jack London, Dr. Labor has edited an edition of London's letters, several editions of London stories, a critical monograph of London, and numerous shorter critical studies. He has been instrumental in building appreciation throughout the world for this American writer.



JENNIFER DENT
SIXTH GENERATION STUDENT

"I feel like I belong here."

"I feel like I belong at Centenary. Members of my family have graduated from and given support to the College for the past 160 years. Being the sixth generation, I feel a strong bond of tradition.

I love Centenary's friendly and caring atmosphere and as I walk across the campus, I am always greeted by familiar faces. Everyone knows everyone else, and they care about you.

It isn't just the students either. The administration and professors have the same qualities. If I ever have a problem or a question, I can call the professor at school or home.

Centenary has become my extended family that has given me many, many new brothers and sisters."

MAJOR GIFTS

Major gifts and bequests made to the college during the 1991-92 academic year include gifts:

- for the establishment of two endowed chairs
- for the endowment of the Centenary College Choir
- for the establishment of an Oratory Lectureship
- for the establishment of a Ministerial Education Trust Fund
- to increase the endowment of scholarships
- as a challenge to the Annual Fund for Great Teachers and Scholars
- for continuing support to the Hurley School of Music

Goldwater Scholarship — Allen Skees, a physics and math major, is one of three students from Louisiana selected to receive the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship worth \$14,000 over two years. An Alumni Scholar at Centenary who maintains an A average, Allen plays the guitar, teaches computer in Centenary's Senior Adult Education Program, and works in the Physics Department building a helium neon laser.

Asteroid Research — Erin Hatch, a senior physics major, was the only undergraduate student to give a presentation at the 23rd Annual International Meeting of the Division of Planetary Sciences. The presentation was on her abstract, "A 0.43-Micrometer Absorption Feature in C-Class Asteroid Reflectance Spectra," which involves the study of patterns and compositions of asteroids, which tell us about the formation of our solar system. Co-authors are Dr. Faith Vilas, space scientist at NASA; S. Chris Larson, computer programmer and student at the University of Houston, and Dr. Mike Gaffey, asteroid research scientist at RPI in Troy, NY.

Fulbright Lectureship — Dr. Jeff Hendricks, a 1975 graduate of Centenary, has spent the last year in Denmark as a Fulbright Professor at the University of Aarhus, where Centenary also has a Faculty/Student Exchange Program. This is the third Fulbright Award for Centenary; Dr. Earle Labor and Dr. Virginia Carlton have also been selected for the distinction.

New Books — Dr. Dan Hawk, Assistant Professor of Religion, and Dr. Eddie Vetter, Professor of Sociology, shared the excitement of having their first books published during the 1991-92 academic year. Dr. Hawk's *Every Promise Fulfilled: Contesting*

Plots in Joshua (Westminster/John Knox Press) is also the first book to be published by a first-year professor in the Department of Religion. A longtime interest in the Civil War inspired Dr. Vetter's *Sherman: Merchant of Terror, Advocate of Peace* (Pelican Publishing Company).

National Science Foundation Grant — Dr. Juan Rodriguez, Assistant Professor of Physics, has been awarded \$92,000 grant over the next three years to study optical heating. Dr. Rodriguez received \$25,000 from the Research Corporation, and subsequent funding will come from the National Science Foundation.

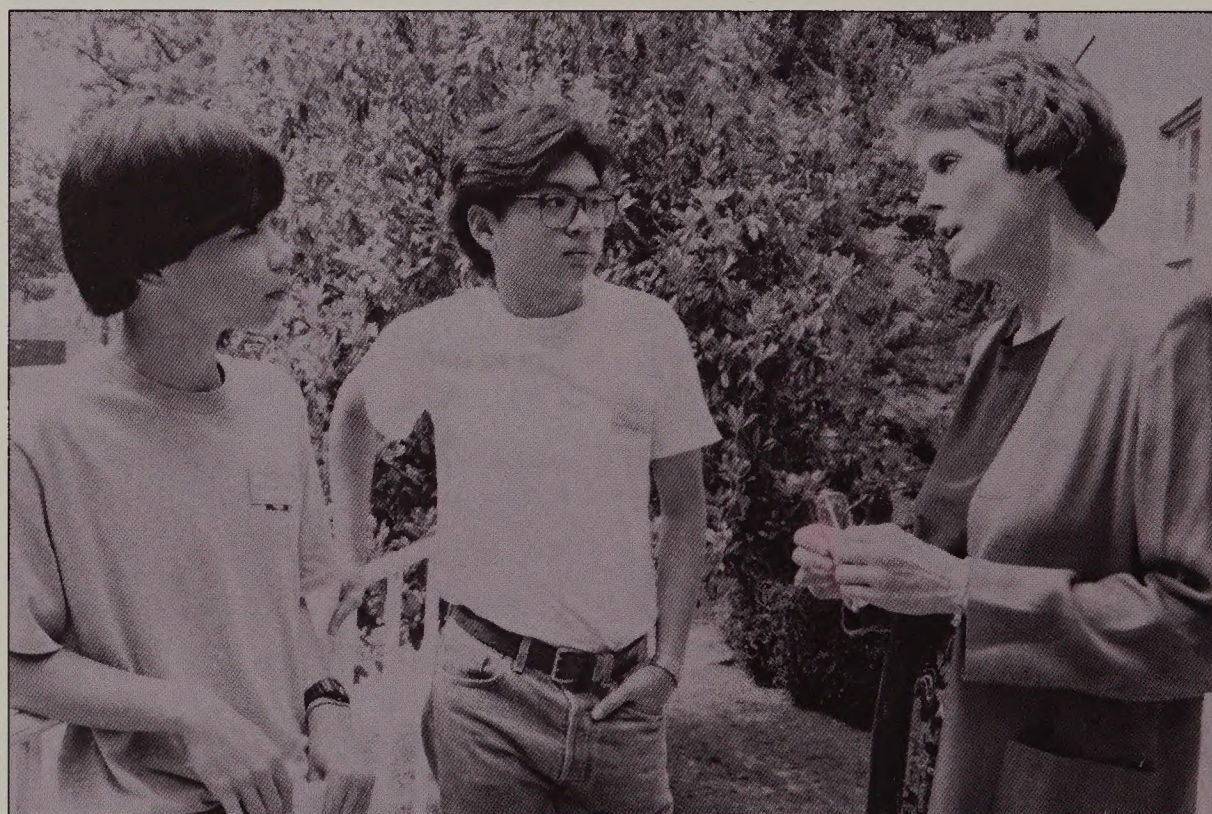
Service Learning — Heath Elliott '92 and Julie Steed '93 have been awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Frost Foundation to establish UNITY, the Centenary College Community Workshop. The program, one of the three facets of the Centenary Plan, provides experiences in voluntarism for

all Centenary students. Among the volunteer opportunities are Literacy Volunteers of America, School Away from School, and the Youth Enrichment Program, an after school program for elementary students.

International Activities

As part of the plan for Centenary 2000, the Office of Admissions is making special efforts to diversify the student body. In September, 1991, Caroline Kelsey, Director of Admissions, traveled to Asia to meet students from seven countries. This first trip resulted in four new students for the Freshman Class of 1992.

The English Language Center, under the direction of Terry Hansen, is the first stop for foreign students who need to improve their skills in reading and writing the English language. When successful, the students are enrolled in regular college courses.



CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Mary Sue Rix, Acting Dean of Students, welcomes freshmen Warren Aw (left) and Sze Chon Goh, both of Singapore. International students come from 12 foreign countries, enriching every aspect of campus life.

International travel/study by faculty and staff is encouraged through opportunities during May Module, the exchange programs with the University of Aarhus, Denmark, and the Aarhus Business School, concert tours with the Centenary College Choir, Fulbright Lectureships, British Studies at Oxford, professional meetings, and other special opportunities. President Schwab has been selected to participate in the European Community's Visitors Programme in 1993.

Enrollment

Enrollment was steady during the 1991-92 academic year. Undergraduate enrollment totaled 794 students for the fall semester, which included a 12 percent increase in the Freshman Class. Within that class, the average ACT was 24 and the average GPA was 3.3 out of 4.0.

There were 155 students enrolled in graduate education and geology courses, a decrease due to state cutbacks in fund-

ing for tuition reimbursement. In addition, there were some 125 students enrolled in the Executive MBA Program.

Financial Aid

Some 629 students (82 percent) were awarded financial aid in 1991-92. Those students were awarded \$2,666,378 from 1418 Centenary College scholarships and \$1,088,619 from federal sources, including loans. A total of 219 students were placed in work-study programs.

Athletics

Following three consecutive years of tremendous on-field success for the Centenary Athletic Department, the pendulum swooped back the other way as the Ladies and Gents reloaded and rebuilt for the future. Baseball, Soccer and Ladies Tennis were the only teams fortunate enough to complete the season with a .500 or better.

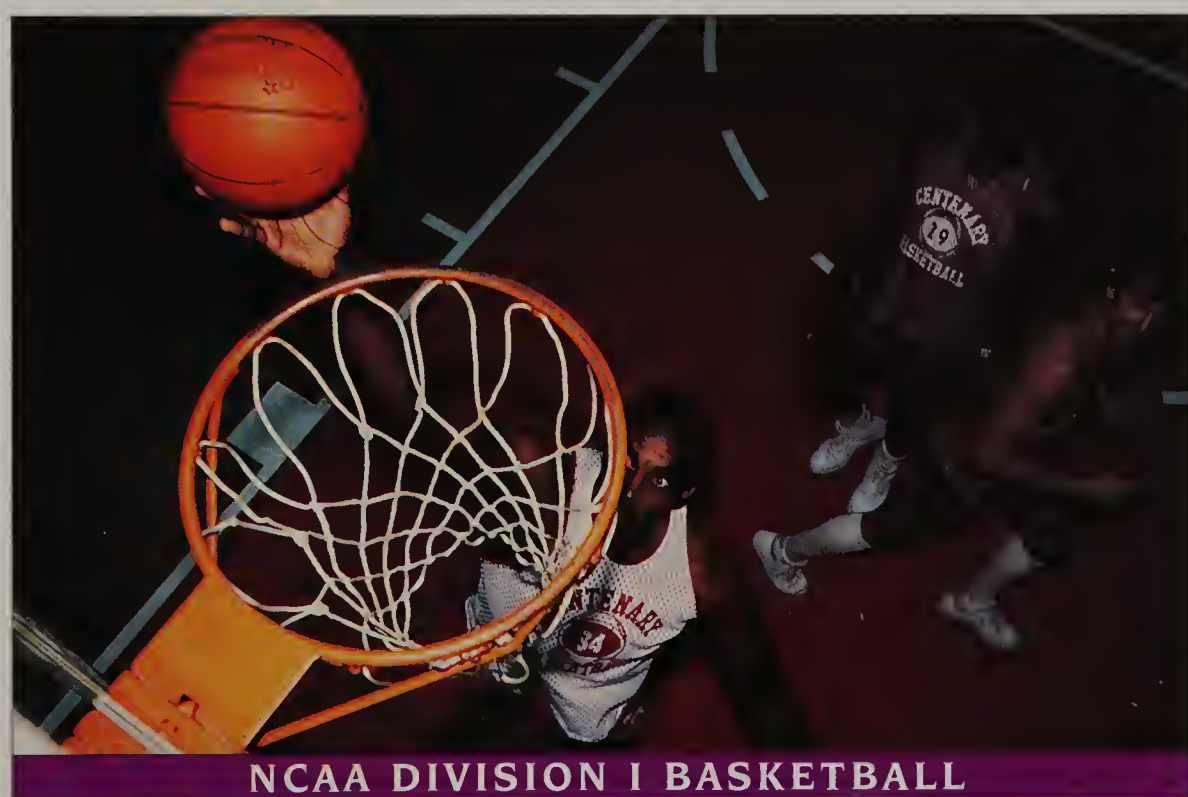
Gent Baseball concluded the 1992 sea-

son 31-27 and were just one win away of securing the sport's first-ever NCM post-season qualification. Soccer's perennial dominance of Trans America Conference play ended after three championships when the Gents finished fourth in the TMG tournament following an 11-8 season. Ladies Tennis proved its consistency turning its thirteenth consecutive winning season at 8-5 and ranked 14th in the NAIA.

Basketball, Men's Tennis, Gymnastics, Softball, Men's and Women's Cross Country, Men's and Women's Rifle, Golf and Volleyball, all of which had lineups dominated by underclasspersons, gained valuable experience in 1991-92 which will no doubt translate to success in the near future. Twelve student-athletes earned All-Conference honors as a result of their on-field prowess.

Centenary student-athletes once again proved their mettle in the classroom in 1991-92. The combined GPA of all 128 student-athletes for the spring semester was a healthy 2.97. Fifty-six (44%) student-athletes earned GPA's of 3.0 or better and seven earned perfect 4.0's. A whopping twenty-two student athletes earned All-Academic honors in the Trans America Athletic Conference, ranking the department near the top of the TMC.

In November of 1991, plans were announced to expand the varsity athletic programs offered by Centenary. On September 12th the Centenary Ladies Soccer Team took to the field for the first time, giving the college a full complement of fourteen teams, 7 men's, 7 women's. The department will also see an expansion of student-athlete enrollment as no less than twenty additional student-athletes will be added to the 128 already on campus.



Basketball is the headliner sport at Centenary, the smallest college in Division I, NCAA athletics. Celtics center Robert Parish is a 1976 graduate, and international player Cherokee Rhone is completing his degree.

Dean of Students

The Dean of Students Office provides a wide variety of activities for both residential and off-campus students, among them:

- Orientation — Under the auspices of the Dean of Students Office, the Student Foundation organized and implemented orientation for new students and their parents. The following spring, representatives attended a special conference in Atlanta to prepare for next year's event.

- Student Leadership Conference — This annual event is sponsored by local colleges, and in 1991, was held on the Centenary campus.

- Special Events — Parties included the Winter Carnival, an all-college dance, and the Doo-Dah Parade at Homecoming.

- Safety & Security — Safety on campus and in New Orleans during Mardi Gras were the highlights of workshops on safety and security.

- Academic Success — A series of seminars on study skills were offered to the freshmen, transfer students, and other interested persons and covered such topics as taking exams and writing research papers.

- Resident Assistants — Pre-Service Training sessions were held in August.

Church Relations

The Office of Church Relations serves as the link between the College and its alma mater, the United Methodist Church. In 1991-92 the Office of Church Relations provided the following services:

- Hosted the Louisiana Annual Conference, the District Conference Youth Teams, the United Methodist Women's School of Missions, the Gulf Region School of Missions, and Pastors' School.
- Hosted two Centenary College

Ministerial Fellows, the Reverends Steven Porter and William E. Nolan.

- In cooperation with the Alumni Relations Office, presented a program at the original Centenary College campus in Jackson, La. Represented Centenary College as a member of the Board of the Friends of Old Centenary.

- Accompanied President Kenneth Schwab for speaking engagements at six District events within the Louisiana Conference.

- Assisted the development staff in hosting the annual Scholars-Donors Appreciation Luncheon.

- Visited approximately 38 United Methodist Churches within the Conference and presented the Bishops Honor Roll certificates to 27 churches that provide scholarships to Centenary College.

- Hosted the Centenary Church Council, along with President Schwab and presented a new covenant for the Council.

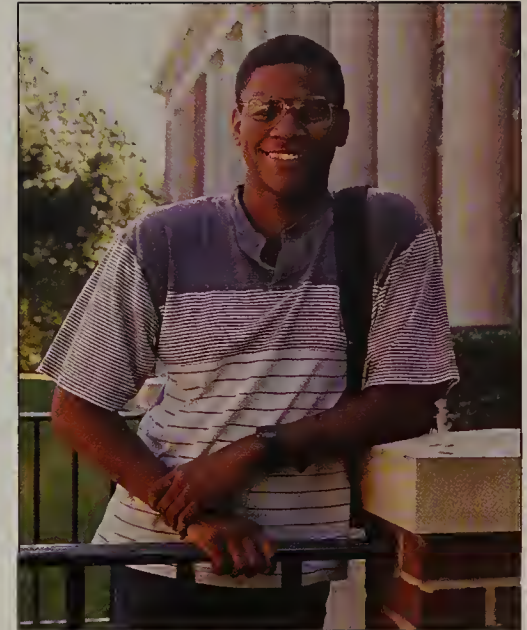
- Worked with the Director of Financial Aid in administering over 100 church-related scholarships and scholarships for the School of Church Careers.

Alumni Relations

The Alumni Association presented awards to five people who have made outstanding contributions to Centenary College, their professions, and/or our community, the state, and the nation.

The Hon. John Allen Dixon Jr. '40 was selected for the Hall of Fame Award, the highest honor an alumnus can achieve. Judge Dixon has served as a judge at every court level of the judicial system in Louisiana with his law career ending in the highest judicial office that can be attained: Chief Justice of the Louisiana Supreme Court.

Dr. Austin A. Sartin '59 was voted the



DARRICK WOOLEN
PSYCHOLOGY MAJOR

Our Small Size Enhances Learning

"Centenary is so different from the public university I attended last year. I love the small classes where we can really have discussions and where I can express my ideas. I plan to go for a masters or doctorate in counseling, and my classes here will definitely prepare me for graduate school.

The professors never have to call roll — they know each of us by name. Some of them even ask us to call them by their first names. That would never happen at a public university. Centenary professors are a lot more personal.

I had heard a lot of good things about Centenary, and the fact that it is affiliated with the Methodist Church is also a real plus. I really respect the Honor Code — you can leave your things and they stay right there."

Outstanding Teacher Award. He has distinguished himself at Centenary College, in the South, and the nation. Dr. Sartin was honored nationally by being elected president of Sigma Gamma Epsilon, and he was named a Fellow in the National Geological Society of America. In the fall of 1992, he was named Louisiana Professor of the Year by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

Dr. David Hoaas, Associate Professor of Economics, was selected for the Alumni Research Grant. The study will consider the potential for laboratory methods as effective teaching tools in the area of experimental economics at Centenary. In addition, the study will test the hypothesis that variations in institutional market structure can elicit more desirable social behavior. The research will involve Centenary College students.

Mrs. Sandra Wiener and Mrs. Doris Box were named Honorary Alumnae, and Herman Williamson was named Honorary Alumnus.

Public Relations

Publications, publicity, and special events were the focus of the Office of Public Relations for the 1991-92 academic year. Three issues of the award-winning *Centenary Today* and a President's Report/Donor Listing were published and distributed to over 14,000 alumni and friends all over the world. National, regional, and local publicity came to the college from *Money Magazine*, *U.S. News & World Report*, *Louisiana Life*, *The United Methodist Reporter*, and numerous regional and local newspapers, radio stations, and television stations.

There were many special events, among them:

- The selection of Dr. Kenneth L.



Dr. Dorothy Bird Gwin, who serves the College in the Office of Alumni Relations, is joined by new members of the administrative staff Samuel S. Hook (left), Vice President for Development, and Dr. Robert Bareikis, Dean of the College.

Schwab as President, and in the spring, his Inauguration

- Fifth Annual Friends of Centenary Book Bazaar
- Third Annual Leadership Conference for Shreveport-Bossier Leaders
- Second Annual Literary Study Series
- First Annual Pilgrimage to the old Centenary Campus at Jackson, La., for members of the Sophomore Class

Administrative Appointments

Joining the staff during the summer were Dr. Robert Bareikis, Dean of the College, and Samuel S. Hook, Vice President for Development. Dr. Bareikis holds the A.B. degree and the Ph.D. in Germanic Languages and Literatures from Harvard University, and came to

Centenary from California State University where he served as Professor of German and Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs. Mr. Hook, a Wofford College Alumnus who holds a master of divinity degree from Duke University, came to Centenary from Nashville, TN, where he served as Executive Director of the Tennessee Conference United Methodist Foundation.

Dr. Dorothy Gwin was appointed to the Office of Alumni Relations, and Chase Crossingham joined the staff as Director of Development. Dr. Mary Ann Welborn was named Acting Director of Career Planning and Placement, and Mrs. Mary Sue Rix was named Acting Dean of Students. Jim Hard was named Acting Assistant Dean of Students.

Highlights of the Year, 1991-92

Kim Breese, Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow

Frank C. "Kim" Breese III, Vice President and Chief Executive Officer, Dow Jones & Co., Inc., spent seven days in November on the Centenary campus for a week of classes, informal discussions with students and faculty, and career counseling. His visit was made under the auspices of the Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellows Program which brings leaders in their fields to the campuses of small, liberal arts colleges. By sharing their experiences, the Fellows help students to understand the relationship between academic knowledge and its practical application.

Centenary 2000 Plan

Students are the focus of the Centenary 2000 Plan, a strategy for directing our resources and energies into nine areas of campus life. They include student life; academics; internationalization of the campus; community; commitment to total well-being; research, development and learning; facilities; endowment for student support, and The Centenary Plan, a three-part plan which calls for every student having at least one social service project; career consulting and exploration, and at least one experience of living in a different culture. When Centenary celebrates its 175th anniversary in the year 2000, we want to celebrate it as one of the premier student-centered liberal arts colleges in America.

Inauguration

Dr. Kenneth Lynn Schwab was inaugurated as President of Centenary College Thursday, April 9, at a stately and inspiring Inauguration Convocation which also commemorated our founding in 1825. While presenting Dr. Schwab with the Presidential Medallion, George D. Nelson, Chairman of the Board, charged Dr. Schwab with the responsibilities and privileges of the office. Dr. William Bauknight of Myrtle Beach, S.C., and Dr. William R. Rogers, President of Guildford College, also participated in the Convocation.

Conservation of Despujols Paintings

Forty-five oil paintings from Centenary's Despujols Collection have been restored to their original, glorious colors, thanks to a generous grant of \$62,915 from the Dallas Meadows Foundation. The conservation work was performed at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum conservation Laby in Canyon, Texas, under the supervision of David Spangler, Senior Paintings Conservator. The grant was made to Southern Methodist University, where the restored paintings were exhibited in June, 1992.

A \$12,000 grant from the Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau will also be used for painting and drawing conservation and for major renovations to the 1923 Meadows Museum Building. The renowned Despujols Collection contains 106 oil paintings and 255 works on paper. Professional conservation is critical for the preservation of this unrivaled body of work on French Indochina.



PAINTINGS RESTORED

Forty-five paintings from the Indochina Collection at Centenary's Meadows Museum of Art have been restored to their original brilliance. The Meadows Foundation of Dallas, the Meadows Museum, at Centenary, and the Meadows Museum at SMU have collaborated on a two-year project to conserve and protect the paintings by Jean Despujols, an award-winning French artist who painted in Southeast Asia during the 1930's.

50th Choir Reunion

Over 400 Centenary College Choir alumni from 23 states and 4 foreign countries filled the stage at Shreveport's Civic Theatre when they reunited for their 50th Anniversary performances of "Rhapsody in View" November 2-3. A highlight of the celebration was the announcement of the A.C. "Cheesy" Voran Centenary Choir Scholarship Fund. When the goal is reached — \$500,000 in three years — the scholarship will be one of the largest endowed scholarships at Centenary. Cheesy, who participated in the 50th Anniversary concerts and is active in other ways with the Choir, founded the Choir in 1941 and served as its director for some 30 years.

Five Honored at Homecoming

Five Shreveporters were in the spotlight Friday, Feb. 15, when they were honored at the Annual Homecoming Awards Banquet. They are John Dixon '40, Hall of Fame; Doris Box, Sandra Wiener and Herman Williamson, Honorary Alumni, and Dr. Austin Sartin '59, Outstanding Teacher. The Banquet kicked off a full weekend of activities including Fun Run, Lively Lectures, Class Reunions, and Worship Service at First United Methodist Church.

Lis Harris

Lila Wallace-Readers Digest

Writing Fellow

Centenary was one of the first 15 institutions in the United States to be selected for a Writing Fellows grant which was awarded through the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. Lis Harris, staff writer for "The New Yorker

Magazine" came to campus January 12-24 and March 29-April 10 to teach creative writing and feature writing. She also met with classes outside the English Department and participated with community writing organizations. An award-winning writer, Ms. Harris hopes to return to campus next year.

Leadership Conference III

Fifty-five men and women from all walks of life gathered together in early November for the Third Annual Leadership Conference, hosted by the Frost School of Business, Dr. Barrie Richardson, Dean. Participants were old and young, black and white. Dr. Robert Brewer, Director of Corporate Human Resource Development for Arkla, Inc., and Adjunct Professor of Management in the Centenary MBA program, served as workshop facilitator, directing the group as they explored principles of perception, communication styles, and leadership in action. Alumni of past conferences joined the 1992 participants for lunch where past participants described new programs they had implemented in the community — a statewide literacy program, the largest hot air balloon rally in the state, and a city-wide summer track and field program for youth.

Literary Study Series

The rich culture of Louisiana, its diverse peoples and traditions was the focus of the 1992 Literary Study Series, sponsored by The Centenary Muses. Professors from the Department of English explored six short stories from *Something in Common*, a collection of fiction edited by Dr. Ann Brewster Dobie, who opened the series with a luncheon talk on Tuesday, March 10.



DR. DAVID BEDARD
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AND EXERCISE SCIENCE

Centenary is Committed to Total Well-Being

"It is exciting that President Schwab has made a commitment to wellness. In the Centenary 2000 Plan, we describe a Wellness Center with modern, well-equipped exercise rooms, locker rooms, meeting rooms, and a swimming pool. Our Outdoor Adventure Center, equipped with camping and backpacking gear, is already in place.

As a former All-American gymnast, I know firsthand how a wellness lifestyle enhances the quality of our lives. It is especially important for students who are pursuing academics to have physical fitness activities to balance their lives."



TOP HONORS

Three students from Shreveport-Bossier won the top leadership awards at Centenary's annual Honors Convocation. They are (left to right) Heath Elliott, Tammy Huffman, and Paul Solomon. Tammy and Heath were named Centenary Lady and Gent, and Tammy and Paul were awarded the Ellis H. Brown Leadership Award. Heath is former president of the Student Government Association, and Tammy and Paul hold membership in *Who's Who Among Colleges and Universities*.

Student Foundation Established

Following a national trend, Centenary students formed their own Student Foundation, a group of upperlevel men and women who volunteer their time to help with admissions, retention, development, and community relations. Paul Solomon '92, a founding member and first President of the group led their first-year activities: participation in Orientation for new students, the annual Fourth of July Parade in Dallas's Highland Park, campus tours, and fundraising for scholarships.

Parents' Weekend

Parents were the special guests when students hosted Parents' Weekend in March. They packed lots of activities into

their time on campus including academic discussions, tours of our new facilities, a jazz picnic, art exhibit, and Centenary Choir/Shreveport Symphony performance.

Fifth Annual Book Bazaar

Thousands of books filled the Gold Dome for the Fifth Annual Friends of Centenary Book Bazaar September 12-14. The sale — whose purposes are to provide quality books to the public at minimal prices and to raise money for student projects — generated over \$10,000. Proceeds were used to purchase camping equipment, to sponsor the Student Research Forum, and to purchase a new computer printer for the library.

Tenure, Promotions

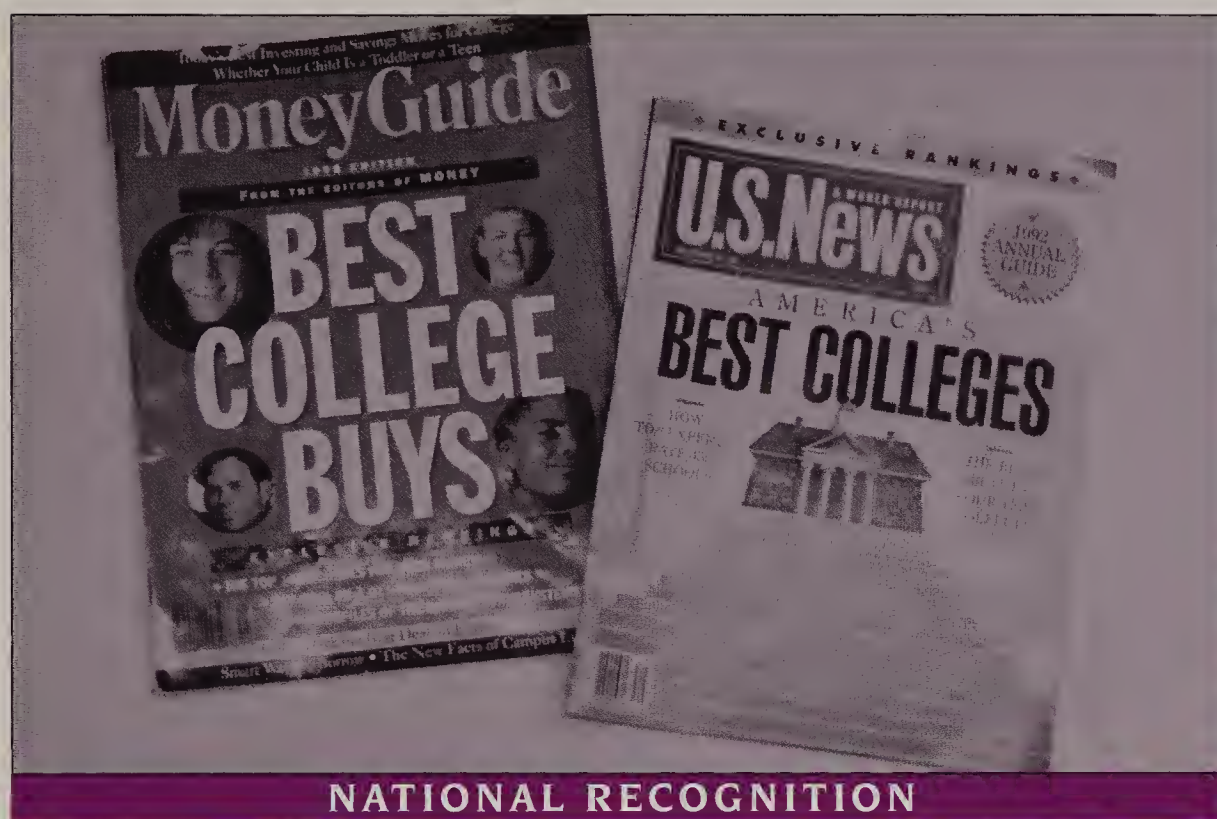
Four professors — Dr. David Bieler, geology; Mrs. Barbara Davis, accounting; Dr. David Hoaas, economics, and Dr. John Peek, political science — have been awarded tenure at Centenary. Sixteen have earned promotions: Dr. Bieler, Mrs. Ginger Folmer, Dr. David Havird, Dr. Hoaas, Dr. Peek, Dr. David Bedard, Dr. Rodney Grunes, Dr. Beth Leuck, Dr. Ed Leuck, Dr. Antonio Pizarro, Dr. Samuel Shepherd, and Dr. Don Wilcox. Cecil Ramey was named Adjunct Professor; Dr. R. Johnson Watts and Mr. William Teague were named Professors Emeriti.

Corrington Award for Literary Excellence

Ernest J. Gaines, author of *The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman*, became the second recipient of the John William Corrington Award for Literary Excellence at Centenary. The first award, a bronze medallion designed by international sculptor Clyde Connell, went to Pulitzer Prize-winning author Eudora Welty. The award is named for the fiction writer and Centenary alumnus who died in 1988.

Centenary's Jackson Campus

The spacious, pine-tree studded lawn of the old Centenary campus at Jackson, La., was the setting in mid-March for a Sophomore Picnic and in late March for an Alumni Reception honoring President and Mrs. Schwab. The recently restored, white-columned East Wing Dormitory provided the focal point for the events, which are now set to take place annually. Dr. Brad McPherson, Mary Warters Professor of Biology, entertained guests when he por-



For the second consecutive year, Centenary has been named one of the best buys in higher education by Money Magazine and one of the best national liberal arts colleges by U.S. News & World Report.

trayed William Marbury Carpenter, pre-Civil War Professor at Centenary and one of the leading scientists of his day.

Drama Awards

Centenary's production of *The Boys Next Door* emerged the top winner at the annual Times Drama Awards when it took Best Production and three other awards: Best Director — Robert Buseick; Best Actor — Daryl Tuminello, and Best Supporting Actor — J.P. Byrd. Keisha Snyder was cited Best Supporting Actress for her performance in *The Royal Family*, and Don Hooper's design of a forest setting in *Into the Woods* took Best Technical Production.

Masters in Management

A new masters degree in management is Centenary's answer to a recent ruling by the American Institute of CPAs, which requires students to take a fifth year of

preparation to be eligible to take the CPA exam.

Centenary accounting majors who earn a bachelors degree will be eligible to enter the masters program which will include such courses as accounting information systems, CPA review, management accounting, economics, marketing management, human resource management, and business ethics. At the end of the one-year program, they will in turn be eligible to take the CPA exam.

Accounting professors are eager to maintain Centenary's exceptionally high pass rate for the CPA exam: 50 percent pass rate for first-time candidates. This is the highest in the state, and well ahead of the national rate which is around 15 percent.

Commencement

"The quality of the United States and the quality of our schools are inextricably

intertwined," said Dr. Ernest Boyer, president of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching when he spoke at Commencement Exercises Saturday, May 2, in the Gold Dome. "Education is at an historic crossroads, and we must decide now to work for and achieve academic excellence."

Some 154 men and women received undergraduate degrees, and 71 received graduate degrees, one of the largest classes in the recent history of the College. Graduating summa cum laude were Laura Kym Davis, Shanna Lynette Faulk, Lance William Laverdiere, Kristin Suzanne Mikeal, Jared Brice Millet, Richard Taylor Murphy, Lauren Rochelle Parra, Ann Marie Sparke, and Donna Fay Troups.

Three members of the faculty were recognized: William Teague and Johnson Watts, who were named Professors Emeriti, and Dr. Dorothy Gwin, who was recognized for her outstanding service as Dean of the College. Dr. Dwight Ramsey, the Rev. Carole Cotton-Winn '65, and the Rev. John M. Winn Jr. were awarded honorary Doctor of Divinity Degrees. Dr. Boyer was awarded the Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

CENTENARY COLLEGE OF LOUISIANA

Condensed Statement of Current Funds, Revenues, Expenditures and Other Changes

Year ended May 31, 1992

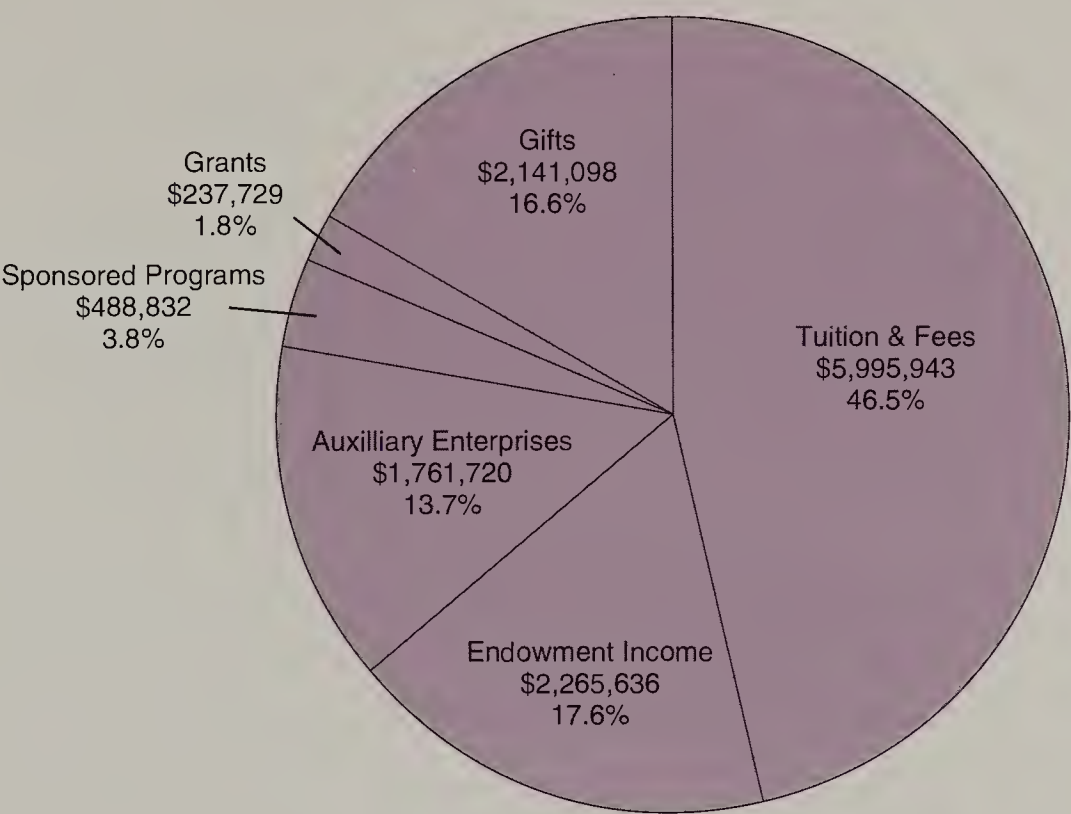
	1992				
	Unrestricted	%	Restricted	%	Total
Revenues:					
Student tuition and fees	\$ 5,995,942.91	58.5%	—	—	5,995,942.91
Endowment income	474,505.35	4.6%	1,791,130.27	67.9%	2,265,635.62
Gifts	1,566,513.85	15.3%	574,583.98	21.8%	2,141,097.83
Grants – Federal and State	109,309.76	1.1%	128,419.51	4.9%	237,729.27
Sponsored programs, organized activities and other sources	346,633.92	3.4%	142,198.34	5.4%	488,832.26
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises	1,761,720.65	17.1%	—	—	1,761,720.65
Total revenues	<u>10,254,626.44</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>2,636,332.10</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>12,890,958.54</u>
Expenditures and mandatory transfers:					
Educational and general:					
Instructional and departmental research	3,132,423.67	30.6%	1,311,333.00	50.4%	4,443,756.67
Organized activities relating to educational departments	55,886.03	.5%	—	—	55,886.03
Library	336,028.26	3.3%	105,920.17	4.1%	441,948.43
Student services	485,552.55	4.7%	21,280.77	.8%	506,833.32
Operation and maintenance of physical plant	1,149,477.89	11.2%	82,672.07	3.2%	1,232,149.96
General administration	674,867.51	6.6%	—	—	674,867.51
Staff benefits	412,480.64	4.0%	—	—	412,480.64
General institutional	1,682.47	10.9%	—	—	1,111,682.47
Student aid	1,665,765.69	16.3%	856,756.20	32.9%	2,522,521.89
Other	—	—	74,910.57	2.9%	74,910.57
Total educational and general	<u>9,024,164.71</u>		<u>2,452,872.78</u>		<u>11,477,037.49</u>
Auxiliary enterprises including mandatory transfers	<u>2,009,151.89</u>	19.6%	<u>183,459.32</u>	7.1%	<u>2,192,611.21</u>
Total expenditures and mandatory transfers	<u>11,033,316.60</u>		<u>2,636,332.10</u>		<u>13,669,648.70</u>
Other transfers and (additions) deductions:					
Excess of restricted receipts over transfers to revenues	—	—	20,847.03	(.8)%	20,847.03
Transfers (to) from endowment funds	920,000.00	(9.0)%	9,313.83	(.4)%	929,311.83
Reclassification between current funds	34,468.35	(.3)%	5,770.07	(.2)%	40,238.42
Transfers (to) from other funds	<u>(153,784.21)</u>	<u>1.6%</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(153,784.21)</u>
Total other transfers and (additions) deductions	<u>800,684.14</u>		<u>35,930.93</u>		<u>836,615.07</u>
Total expenditures, transfers and other additions (deductions)	<u>10,232,632.46</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>2,600,401.17</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>12,833,033.63</u>
Net increase in fund balances	<u>\$21,993.98</u>		<u>35,930.93</u>		<u>57,924.91</u>

During the year ended May 31, 1992 the endowment funds increased \$2,000,000.

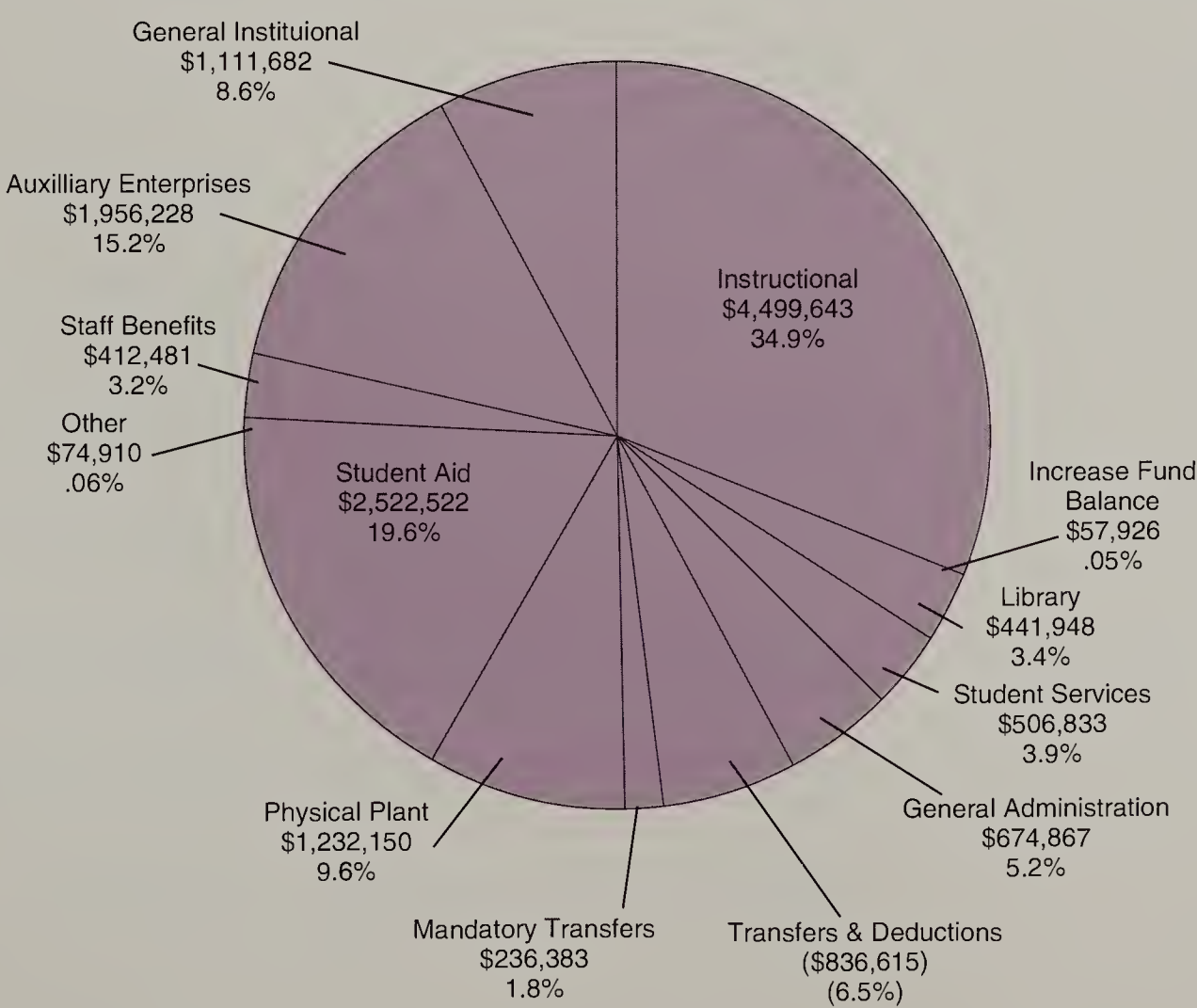
Book value as of May 31, 1992 was \$35,744,530.

The approximate market value of securities held by the funds at that date was \$42,150,747.

REVENUES \$12,890,958



EXPENDITURES \$12,890,958



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CHOIR CELEBRATES 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Some 425 Centenary Choir Alumni from 23 states and 4 foreign countries came home to Centenary to participate in the 50th Anniversary performances of "Rhapsody in View" in Shreveport's Civic Theatre. More than merely a group of talented singers, the Centenary College Choir is a 50-year tradition of camaraderie, teamwork, discipline, and success.



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